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FOLLOWING SENT SECSTATE WASHDC FROM CAIRO 29 JUN 74:

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SUBJECT: SADAT OFFER OF EQUIPMENT AND MEN TO LEBANON

REF: FBIS KYRENIA 271212Z

1. REF FBIS 271212Z QUOTES ISRAELI C/S GUR ON JERUSALEM RADIO JUNE 27 AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE SADAT STATEMENT THAT HE IS PLANNING TO SET UP EGYPTIAN ANTI-AIRCRAFT MISSILE BATTERIES IN LEBANON IS A SERIOUS THREAT. UNQUOTE.

2. ALTHOUGH GUR MAY HAVE INFORMATION OF WHICH WE ARE NOT AWARE, WE HAVE TURNED UP NO EVIDENCE OF EGYPTIAN PLANS TO SEND ANTI-AIRCRAFT MISSILE BATTERIES TO LEBANON. SADAT, FOLLOWING HEAVY ISRAELI RAIDS ON SOUTHERN LEBANON, REACTED BY OFFERING PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, SPECIFICALLY AIRCRAFT, TO PRESIDENT FRANJIYA (CAIRO 4545). WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE TO DATE
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THAT THIS IS ANYTHING MORE THAN POSTURAL REACTION IN

CONTEXT OF OVERALL ARAB INDIGNATION AND SOLIDARITY
AT WHAT THEY CONSIDER DISPROPORTIONATE ISRAELI
REPRISALS. JUDGING FROM BEIRUT'S 7349, FRANJIYA
SEEMS UNLIKELY TO ACCEPT OFFER.

3. EGYPTIANS AND ISRAELI ALIKE HAVE REGRETTABLE PROPENSITY
TO DISTORT PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF OPPOSING LEADERS. AS
WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY CAUTIONED, IT BEHOOVES US TO
CAUTION RESPONSIBLE LEADERS ON BOTH SIDES TO ASSESS
SUCH STATEMENTS IN POLITICAL CONTEXT IN WHICH THEY
AR MADE AND, EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO STICK TO
THE UNADULTERATED FACTS OF WHAT WAS SAID WHEN
MAKING PUBLIC COMMENTS ABOUT THEM. DISTORTION,
EITHER DELIBERATE OR THROUGH CARELESSNESS,
IS UNHELPFUL IN PRESENT DELICATE SITUATION.
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